#### UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20436

# MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION of the 108th Congress 1

[Date approved: August 27, 2004]<sup>2</sup>

**Bill No. and sponsor:** H.R. 4330 (Mr. Baker)

**Proponent name, location:** Ciba Specialty Chemicals

4200 Geigy Access Road St. Gabriel, LA 70776-0749

Other bills on product (108th Congress only): None.

**Nature of bill:** Temporary duty suspension through December 31, 2007.

Retroactive effect: None.

Suggested article description(s) for enactment (including appropriate HTS subheading(s)):

5,5-Bis[ $(\gamma,\omega$ -perfluoro( $C_{4\cdot20}$ )alkylthio)methyl]-2-hydroxy-2-oxo-1,3,2-dioxaphosphorinane, ammonium salt and 2,2-bis[ $(\gamma,\omega$ -perfluoro( $C_{4\cdot20}$ )alkylthio)methyl]-3-hydroxypropyl phosphate, diammonium salt and di-[2,2-bis[ $(\gamma,\omega$ -perfluoro( $C_{4\cdot20}$ )alkylthio)methyl]]-3-hydroxypropyl phosphate, ammonium salt and 2,2-bis[ $(\gamma,\omega$ -perfluoro( $C_{4\cdot20}$ )alkylthio)methyl]-1,3-di-(dihydrogenphosphate)propane, tetraammonium salt (provided for in subheading 3809.92.50)

Check one: \_\_\_\_ Same as that in bill as introduced
\_\_\_ Different from that in bill as introduced (explain differences in Technical comments section)

#### Product information, including uses/applications and source(s) of imports:

The subject chemical is used in the manufacture of specialty paper products to impart certain oil- and grease-resistant properties to the finished paper/paperboard product. Ciba Specialty Chemicals imports the subject chemical from its affiliated plant in Germany.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Access to an electronic copy of this memorandum is available at <a href="http://www.usitc.gov/billrpts.htm">http://www.usitc.gov/billrpts.htm</a> Access to a paper copy is available at the Commission's Law Library (202-205-3287) or at the Commission's Main Library (202-205-2630).

#### **Estimated effect on customs revenue:**

HTS subheading: 3809.92.50									
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008				
Col. 1-General rate of duty (AVE) <u>1</u> /	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%				
Estimated value dutiable imports	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000				
Customs revenue loss	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000				

<sup>1/</sup> The AVE is the ad valorem equivalent of a specific or compound duty rate expressed as a percent, using the most recent import data available.

Source of estimated dutiable import data: Commission estimates.

#### Contacts with domestic firms/organizations (including the proponent):

Name of firm/organization	Date contacted	US production of same or competitive product claimed?	Submission attached?	Opposition noted?
		(Yes/No)		
Ciba Specialty Chemicals	7/17/04	No	No	No
Clariant Corporation	7/19/04	No	No	No
Dow Chemical	7/19/04	No	No	No
Du Pont Chemical	7/19/04	No	No	No
Solutia	7/19/04	No	No	No

#### **Technical comments:**<sup>3</sup>

The Commission recommends the chemical name in the proposed article description be amended to read

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The Commission may express an opinion on the HTS classification of a product to facilitate consideration of the bill. However, by law, only the U.S. Customs Service is authorized to issue a binding ruling on this matter. The Commission believes that the U.S. Customs Service should be consulted prior to enactment of the bill.

#### as follows:

 $5,5\text{-Bis}[(\gamma,\omega\text{-perfluoro}(C_{4\text{-}20})\text{alkylthio})\text{methyl}]\text{-}2\text{-hydroxy-}2\text{-}\text{oxo-}1,3,2\text{-}\text{dioxaphosphorinane, ammonium salt and }2,2\text{-}\text{bis}[(\gamma,\omega\text{-perfluoro}(C_{4\text{-}20})\text{alkylthio})\text{methyl}]\text{-}3\text{-hydroxypropyl phosphate, diammonium salt and }di-[2,2\text{-}\text{bis}[(\gamma,\omega\text{-perfluoro}(C_{4\text{-}20})\text{alkylthio})\text{methyl}]]\text{-}3\text{-hydroxypropyl phosphate, ammonium salt and }2,2\text{-}\text{bis}[(\gamma,\omega\text{-perfluoro}(C_{4\text{-}20})\text{alkylthio})\text{methyl}]\text{-}1,3\text{-}\text{di-}(\text{dihydrogenphosphate})\text{propane, tetraammonium salt}$ 

#### 108TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

## H. R. 4330

To suspend temporarily the duty on 5,5-bis[(y,w-perfluoroC4-20alkylthio)methyl]-2-hydroxy-2-oxo -1,3,2-dioxaphosphorinane, ammonium salt and 2,2-bis[(y,w-perfluoroC4-20alkylthio)methyl]-3-hydroxy proply phosphate, di-ammonium salt and Di-[2,2-bis[(y,w-perfluoroC4-20alkylthio)methyl]]-3-hydroxy proply phosphate, ammonium salt and 2,2-bis[(y,w-perfluoroC4-20alkylthio)methyl]-1,3-di-(dihydrogenphosphate)-propane, tetra-ammonium salt.

#### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

May 11, 2004

Mr. Forbes introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

### A BILL

To temporarily the duty suspend on 5,5-bis[(y,wperfluoroC4-20alkylthio)methyl]-2-hydroxy-2-oxo -1,3,2dioxaphosphorinane, ammonium salt and 2,2-bis[(y,wperfluoroC4-20alkylthio)methyl]-3-hydroxy proply phosdi-ammonium salt and Di-[2,2-bis[(v,wphate, perfluoroC4–20alkylthio)methyl]]-3-hydroxy proply phosphate, ammonium salt and 2,2-bis[(y,w-perfluoroC4-20alkylthio)methyl]-1,3-di-(dihydro genphosphate)-propane, tetra-ammonium salt.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

1	SECTION	1. SUSPENSIO	N OF	DUTY	ON 8	5,5-BIS[(Y	, <b>W</b> -			
2		PERFLUORO	C4-20AL	KYLTHI	O)MET	`HYL]-2-H	Υ-			
3	DROXY-2-OXO-1,3,2-DIOXAPHOSPHORINANE,									
4		AMMONIUM	SALT	· AN	<b>ND</b> :	2,2-BIS[(Y	, <b>W</b> -			
5		PERFLUORO	C4-20AL	KYLTHI	O)MET	`HYL]-3-H	Υ-			
6	DROXY PROPLY PHOSPHATE, DI-AMMONIUM									
7		SALT AND	<b>DI-[2,2</b>	-BIS[(Y,	W-PER	FLUORO	C <b>4</b> –			
8		20ALKYLTHI	O)METH	YL]]-3-H	YDROX	XY PROF	PLY			
9		PHOSPHATE	, AMMO	NIUM	SALT	AND	2,2-			
10		BIS[(Y,W-PER	RFLUORO	OC4-						
11		20ALKYLTHI	O)METH	YL]-1,3-l	DI-					
12		(DIHYDROGE	ENPHOSE	PHATE)	-PROPA	ANE,				
13	TETRA-AMMONIUM SALT.									
14	(a) In General.—Subchapter II of chapter 99 of									
15	the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States is									
16	amended by inserting in numerical sequence the following									
17	7 new heading:									
	" 9902.38.43	5,5-bis[(y,w-perfluoroC4–20alkylthio)methyl]-2-hy-droxy-2-oxo-1,3,2-dioxaphosphorinane, ammonium salt and 2,2-bis[(y,w-perfluoroC4–20alkylthio)methyl]-3-hy-droxy proply phosphate, diammonium salt and Di-[2,2-bis[(y,w-perfluoroC4–20alkylthio)methyl]]-3-hy-droxy proply phosphate, ammonium salt and 2,2-bis[(y,w-perfluoroC4–20alkylthio)methyl]-1,3-di-(dihydrogenphosphate)-propane, tetra-ammonium salt (provided for in subheading 3809.92.50)	Free No	Change 1	No Change	On or Before 12/31/2007	2.			

- 1 (b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
- 2 subsection (a) applies to articles entered, or withdrawn
- 3 from warehouse for consumption, on or after the 15th day

4 after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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